MESSAGE FROM THE STATE PRESIDENT

42nd General Convention Just 12 Months Away

Folks... we are getting closer and closer to the 42nd General Convention! It is just 12 short months away and will be here before we know it. Below you can find information on serving as a delegate or even considering running for one of the state director positions. The process for societies submitting resolutions for changes to the constitution, charter and by-laws are included below as well. If anyone has questions, please give us a call at the Home Office.

Delegate & Director Qualifications
For 42nd General Convention – July 2018

The requirements to serve as a delegate per the KJT By-Laws are as follows:

1.) To be eligible to serve as a delegate or alternate to the General Convention, the member must attend all or a minimum of 50 percent of the local society meetings from January 1 to December 31 of the year preceding the convention.

2.) An individual will not be able to serve as a delegate or alternate to the General Convention who is or whose spouse is a state officer or state director, state directress of other fraternal life insurance organizations, or insurance sales representative representing other fraternal life insurance organizations.

Additionally, there will be three vacancies for state directors at the 42nd General Convention in July 2018. In order to qualify for the position of state director, one must be eligible to serve as a delegate or alternate to a General Convention, the member must attend all or a minimum of 50 percent of the local society meetings from January 1 to December 31 of the year preceding the convention.

If intending to run for a director position, one must file with the State Secretary of the Union between February 1, 2018 and April 1, 2018. One must designate the position sought (a list of positions can be seen below) and consent to a background check. A candidate may run for only one director position at the convention. Candidate applications will be reviewed by the qualifications committee and the candidates will be notified if they are approved or disapproved.

Position 1
Robert Nors (retiring)

Position 2
Margaret Holik

Position 3
Larry Kuciemba

Position 4
Ellen Zdansky (retiring)

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On Saturday, June 10, it was a great day at the annual Kolache Klobase Festival in East Bernard. The Kolache Klobase Fest is East Bernard Society #40’s main fundraising event for the year. The KJT Home Office sponsored an information booth and the First Annual Kolache Eating Contest. This year at the booth were State President Christopher L. Urban, State Vice President David M. Wagner, State Director Margaret Holik and her husband Charles Holik, KJT Media Director Stephanie Prihoda and two of her children and I passing out information and KJT koozies and helped to make the kolache eating contest a success.

As the evening was coming to a close we had several koozies remaining and Michelle Slovak with Czech and Then Some suggested having a koozie free throw. Stephanie and I got upon the band stand and threw koozies out to everyone on and around the dance floor. That was a lot of fun.

I do want to send a GREAT BIG Thank You to Society #40 President Big Ed Marik and all his team for their fine hospitality. As always there was great music, good food and cold beverages and fun-loving people. What a great time it was!

On Sunday, June 18, we celebrated Father’s Day. Some were able to celebrate this special day with their fathers while others looked up to heaven and prayed, thanking God for the time they were able to share with their Dads.

On Tuesday, July 4, I spent the day again this year in Round Top helping the Round Top Rifle Association with their annual Fourth of July Celebration. There were over 160 entries in the parade which is a big task for a small town with a population of 90. Like to send a Big Thank You to Dave Weishuhn, his wife Lisa and sons Clayton and Cullen for organizing and directing the parade each year. Once again there was great barbecue, cold beverages and great music by the Round Top Brass Band and hats off to all those who volunteered their time and services to the success of this event.

It is always hard to share all the great things about all the festivals and events in a short article. Always remember to continue to share all the benefits of a KJT member wherever you may be or go, for we always are in need of new members.

As always thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Fraternal Activity Manager. You can contact me at (409) 771-8101 or mareznicek@sbcglobal.net.
State President's Message . . .

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Position 5
Margaret Hanslik
Position 6
Thomas Arellano
Position 7
Raymond Pokorney (retiring)

Resolutions
For The 42nd General Convention – July 2018
Any motions for amending the Charter, Constitution and/or By-Laws by the local societies must be submitted to the State Secretary on or before February 28 in the year of the General Convention. The By-Law Committee shall review all submitted motions and proposed revisions. The By-Law Committee and/or the State Board of Directors may make their own motions for amendments or proposed revisions to the General Convention after February 28 and prior to the General Convention. No motions and proposed revisions shall be allowed from the floor at the General Convention.

FORE!!!!
10th Annual KJT State Golf Tournament
The 10th Annual KJT State Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday, October 7 at the Flatonia Golf Course in Flatonia located at 1245 Hwy 90 East. The format will be a 4-person scramble at $200 per team (including mulligans) once again. Call us to reserve your team’s spot in the tournament. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit St. Jude's Children’s Research Hospital, one of the KJT's statewide charities for 2017.

KJ T Social Media
You will find elsewhere in this issue that the KJT hired Stephanie Prihoda as the KJT Media and Marketing Director on Friday, June 2 of this year. Stephanie will be in charge of KJT’s social media platform, something that the Board of Directors has been excited about for a long time. We feel that for a small company, social media is an inexpensive way to get the KJT’s name out to the public and let people know who we are and what we do. If you have Facebook, Twitter or Instagram accounts, you can follow us on all three and help us get the word out by sharing with friends and other contacts. You can follow us at:
Facebook – Catholic Union of Texas
Twitter – @KjtMedia
Instagram – Catholic Union of Texas

Have A Safe Summer
These dog days of summer have been tough with the repeated upper 90s heat and little to no rain. Football season and the beginning of school is right upon us . . . can you believe it? Stay cool and safe as you finish up your summer vacations and as always . . . thank you for your membership in KJT!

Christine L. Nolan

2017 Important Dates To Remember

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**MESSAGE FROM THE STATE ATTORNEY**

**What Is A MERP Claim, What It Covers, Any Exemptions?**

**PHILIP J. HUNDL**
KJT State Attorney

**Hard to believe** summer is almost over! August is my favorite time of the year. Not for the weather but for FOOTBALL! Gig’em Aggies!

**Question:** In prior articles, you have mentioned MERP claims. Please explain what a MERP claim is and what it covers and if there are any exemptions.

To help pay for these long-term care services, every state must have a Medicaid Estate Recovery Program (MERP). If you received Medicaid long-term services and supports, the state of Texas has the right to ask for money back from your estate after you die by making a MERP claim against your estate. Sometimes, the state may not ask for anything back, and the state will never ask for more money back than it paid for your services. The program is administered by Texas Health and Human Services (HHS).

The Medicaid recipient’s estate, as it relates to a MERP claim, is the real and personal property of a deceased recipient that is subject to probate. Real property may include a home and other real estate. Personal property may include a car, cash and other personal property. A probate estate does not include assets that pass directly to a beneficiary outside of the probate process. Some typical examples of assets that are not usually subject to probate include: insurance policy proceeds; retirement accounts, such as IRAs; pension plans; accounts at financial institutions, such as banks or credit unions, that are paid on death of accounts or joint accounts with right of survivorship; mutual funds; or deferred compensation plans. (Please note – a recipient’s estate typically will only contain their home and maybe a small financial account since most all other assets would have been liquidated prior to applying for Medicaid.

A recipient’s residence is not counted as a resource for Medicaid eligibility purposes.)

There are several exceptions to a MERP claim. Those exemptions would include: a surviving spouse or child under age 21 or child of any age that is blind or permanently and totally disabled; an unmarried adult child living full-time in the recipient’s home for at least one year before death. Other exemptions apply, if the value of your estate is $10,000 or less, the amount of your Medicaid costs was $3,000 or less, or the cost of selling your property is more than the property is worth.

**Philip J. Hundl** is State Attorney for the KJT and a shareholder in the law firm of Wadler, Perches, Hundl & Kerlick with offices in Wharton, El Campo and Richmond, Texas.

State Attorney’s note: The information in this column is not intended as legal advice but to provide a general understanding of the law. Readers with legal problems, including those whose questions are addressed here, should consult attorneys for advice on their particular circumstances.

Submit your questions for this column via email to phundl@wpkh-law.com or via U.S. Mail to Wadler, Perches, Hundl & Kerlick, Philip J. Hundl, KJT State Attorney c/o KJT Legal Column, 101 W. Barleson Street, Wharton, Texas 77488 or at www.wpkh-law.com.

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**32nd CZECH HERITAGE FESTIVAL**

**Features 3 Czech Polka Music Bands, Texas Country Music Artist and more!**

The 32nd Annual Victoria Czech Heritage Festival plans are for another big celebration on Saturday, September 24, 2017 at the Victoria Community Center, 2005 E. North St. The festival is sponsored by the Victoria County Czech Heritage Society and has drawn about a thousand people consistently for more than three decades.

Beginning at 10 a.m. with five musical performances, this year’s festival will include 3 polka bands plus for those preferring a bit more country music, the festival will also feature Curtis Grimes, Texas Country Music Artist and Semi-Finalist of NBC’s “The Voice” TV show. Curtis is popular with today’s youth and will be performing his five #1 singles/hits on the Texas Music Charts . . . plus many more great country songs. This is Curtis’ first performance in Victoria and will be from 3-5 p.m.

Other events planned include accordion lessons, Czech Sing-Alongs for adults and youth, exhibits, face painting, arts and crafts, pastry wheel, live and silent auction. As always, the festival includes kolaches, homemade chicken noodle soup and sausage wraps and the Czech Stew & Sausage lunch for $10/plate from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Admission for all this is only $8 per person — under 15 years old — ALWAYS FREE.

For INFO see: www.victoriaczehs.org or facebook.com/victoriaczehsoc or call Donald Dusek 361-571-4777 or e-mail: ddusek@suddenlink.net

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**VICTORIA COUNTY CZECH HERITAGE FESTIVAL**

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**SAVE THE DATE!**

**3 POLKA BANDS + COUNTRY MUSIC ARTIST**

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 24th**

**VICTORIA COUNTY CZECH HERITAGE FESTIVAL**

10 am – 7:30 pm

Adm: All for only $8 per person, under 15 free

Victoria Community Center

2005 E. North St.
JUNE 2017 TOP PRODUCERS

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Joe Landsfeld
Society #35, Ennis
• First Place June 2017 Top Producer

W.K. Leonard
Society #119, La Marque
• Second Place June 2017 Top Producer

Linda Gaas
Society #12, Frenstat
• Third Place June 2017 Top Producer

Robert Nors
Society #31, West
• Fifth Place June 2017 Top Producer

Thomas Arellano
Society #141, Georgetown
• Seventh Place June 2017 Top Producer

Ellen Zdansky
Society #72, Corpus Christi
• Sixth Place June 2017 Top Producer

• June 2017 Applications Leader

• June 2017 New Application Producer – 150 months

• June 2017 New Member Producer – 147 months

John Kana
Society #4, Ammannsville
• Eighth Place June 2017 Top Producer

Robert Leopold
Society #84, El Campo
• June 2017 Volume Leader

Deborah Currey
Society #130, Elgin
• June 2017 Applications Leader

Daniel Lev
Society #90, Rosenberg
• June 2017 Premium Leader

Cynthia Nemec
Society #139, Bay City
• Fourth Place June 2017 Top Producer

• June 2017 New Application Producer – 2 months

BY DAVID M. WAGNER
STATE VICE PRESIDENT

The Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, would like to welcome Brenda Fietsam of Hostyn Society #3 to its strong, growing sales force. Brenda was born and raised in the Hostyn area. She graduated from Sacred Heart School in La Grange and then from Bishop Forest High School in Schulenburg.

After earning an Associates in Applied Science in Business/Accounting from Blinn College, she married Harold Fietsam Jr. of Schulenburg and they have been married for 26 years. They reside on Brenda’s family homestead in Hostyn and are parishioners of Queen of the Holy Rosary Church. They have two grown children – Chase, who is currently a senior at Texas A&M and Brittany, who just graduated from The University of Texas at Austin this past May.

Brenda is active in numerous organizations in the community and after 17 years in banking, she is enjoying a new career path, which includes being a sales agent for the KJT. She has been a member of Society #3 in Hostyn since 1982 and is currently the treasurer. Brenda is excited to have the opportunity to help families in the area with their insurance needs through the KJT.

Welcome Brenda!

Give Money to Get Money

The famous 401(k) match is when your employer contributes money to your retirement account. But you’ll only get that contribution if you contribute first. That’s why it’s called a match!
BY RAY POKORNEY
KJT STATE DIRECTOR

The Bishops of the Austin, Dallas and Fort Worth Diocese have extremely busy schedules to fulfill, not only at home and around the U.S., but trips to the Vatican are common place as well. I’m thrilled to report that in their absence their Diocese are left in very capable hands. What’s more, we have another set of ears to hear and be able to brag about the outstanding societies in their diocese.

Delivering the Religious Retirement Fund check to the Bishops has been a yearly highlight for me since becoming a State Director in 2006. It is such a joy for me to be able to share the varied and interesting fundraising projects of the KJT members in each Diocese to assist our priests during their retirement years – a retirement so deservedly earned after unselfishly serving us as children, Mothers and Dads, providing strength and inspiration for our daily life as well as in our times of greatest need.

Auxiliary Bishop Daniel Garcia accepted the Religious Retirement Fund check on behalf of Bishop Joe Vasquez and the Diocese of Austin. Citing the increase in numbers of retirees over the past year, he praised and thanked the membership of the diocese and gave encouraging news that seminary enrollment had also increased.

When Fort Worth Bishop Olson was called away to an emergency meeting, Vicar General Monsignor James Hart was not only available and eager to fill in, but had a reporter and photographer in tow to record everything for their Diocesan News. Shirley and I enjoyed the question/answer session immensely.

Auxiliary Bishop Gregory Kelly was very knowledgeable about the fundraising activities of the KJT societies in his area, being in the diocese since coming from Colorado to enter the seminary in Irving and attend the University of Dallas and serving as pastor at numerous parishes in the diocese. His praise for our efforts was affirming, and the need was obvious. At the other end of the spectrum we have our priests of the future.

The State Officers and Directors had selected the Seminarian Education Fund as an additional option for society contributions. All of the bishops confirmed this as an area of growing need. As Bishop Garcia informed me, the costs of tuition, food and housing are rapidly escalating, and with a laugh commented, “It takes a lot of money to satisfy the appetites of young men that age!”

KJT Gives Check To Austin Diocese

Auxiliary Bishop Danny Garcia happily receives Religious Retirement and Seminarian Education checks for the Diocese of Austin.

Dallas Diocese Receives Funds

Auxiliary Bishop Gregory Kelly is pleased with the funds presented on behalf of Dallas area societies.

Fort Worth Diocese Accepts Donation

Vicar General Monsignor James Hart accepts the donation for the Fort Worth Diocese.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Celebrate 65th Wedding Anniversary

BY LINDA WALDEN


They have lived all their lives in the Marak/Yarrellton Community where they had two children, Linda Marie Vrazel Wilde who married Daniel Wilde in 1976 and Rose Marie Everett; two grandchildren, Jennifer Everett and Justin Everett.

Anton was a farmer and rancher, and musician where he played accordion and was manager of the Vrazel’s Polka Band for the entire 55 years that the band performed. He still loves getting up on stage and playing a few songs with the band members for special occasions.

Albina was a cook in the lunch rooms of Cameron Independent School District and is a loving mother and homemaker. She also loves taking care of her lovely rose gardens.

They were honored with a (Continued on page 7)
WELCOME TO HOME OFFICE

New Director Of Media Comes On Board

The Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, would like to welcome Stephanie Prihoda to its Home Office as the new Director of Media and Marketing. Stephanie will be the organization’s new contact person for newspaper articles, pictures, web site information and social media connections. Stephanie brings to the table knowledge of the evolving media world as she has taught in education for 11 years. She is a small-town girl from Hallettsville, but now resides in La Grange with her three children Carolyn, Van and Koi Prihoda.

She graduated from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville with a Bachelor’s Degree in Education and Kinesiology.

Stephanie’s primary job will be to edit the monthly KJT News, however, you will start to see many more posts on social media with the KJT’s name attached. She will be sending out weekly reminders of events, along with helpful links about products that the KJT has to offer and how they can assist you with your financial future via Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

Starting July 21, please forward any newspaper articles, society happenings or photos of events for both the KJT web site and the KJT News to Stephanie Prihoda at media@kjtnet.org.

Tips To Conserve Water . . .

Use the dishwasher wisely. Scrape dirty dishes instead of rinsing them. Running a dishwasher with a full load on “light wash” saves more water than hand washing dishes. An ENERGY STAR dishwasher is about 30% more efficient than a standard model and saves about 3,870 gallons of water over its lifetime.

Also send any upcoming event notices for the calendars located in the News and on the web site to Stephanie.

The deadline for the KJT News articles and photos will remain the 10th of every month. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Home Office at (979) 968-5877 or email her at media@kjtnet.org.

65th Anniversary . . .

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Diocesan Certificate for their faithfulness to their wedding vows on Sunday, June 4, 2017 by Fr. George at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church in Marak, and they renewed their wedding vows at Mass on that day.

It is rare to see a couple married for so many years these days, and even more rare to see that they still attend the same church and renew their vows in the same church that they said their original vows in 65 years ago.

The couple was treated to a road trip by their daughter Linda, taking them to Shreveport, Louisiana; Vicksburg, Mississippi; Tunica, Mississippi; Memphis, Tennessee, and Jacksonville, Texas where they went to farm museums, city tours, casinos, train rides, a visit to a safari and a variety of other activities along the way.

Eating out and just spending time together telling stories about things that happened in the family during all those years was the most fun of the entire trip.

Anton and Linda are members of Society #39 in Marak.

Congratulations Anton and Albina!

CZECH LANGUAGE MASS & RECEPTION for VISITING SEMINARIANS FROM THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Hosted by the St. Bartholomew the Apostle Catholic Church Vocations Committee & Knights of Columbus Council No. 6950

Wednesday Evening, July 26, 2017 6:00 p.m. Czech Language Mass in the Church 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Reception in the Church Hall Located at 5356 Eleventh Street Katy, TX

The recently ordained transitional deacons who will be visiting this year are:

Jan Jurečka, Diocese of Ostrava-Opava
Jiří Štěmek, Diocese of Olomouc
Vojtěch Zahrašík, Diocese of Brno

Please join us in demonstrating our support and encouragement of these young men that wish to dedicate their lives in service to the Church.

Please RSVP by Friday, July 21, 2017 to marek@entouch.net or by calling (832) 437-4077. Also feel free to extend this invitation to our fellow parishioners or friends who might wish to attend.

We ask that you bring a covered dish to share with all in attendance or a dessert. Liquid refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

Please provide your email address in responding to this invitation, if it is your desire to continue to receive these notices of this annual event.

Annual Labor Day Feast
St. John ~ Fayetteville
Sunday, September 3, 2017
10:00 a.m. MASS with Polka Music
St. John The Baptist Catholic Church

Encourage Youth to Participate at the Local, District & State Level. They Are the Future of This Great Fraternal Family!

Meal served inside Air-Conditioned Hall 10:30 A.M. ‘til 1:30 P.M. with Music by The Lost Cause Band DJ Services Plates To Go and Drive Thru Line Served From 10:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

BEEF • PORK • SAUSAGE

MEAL TICKETS
ADULTS — $10.00
CHILDREN (Under 12) — $5.00

Barbecue by the Pound Available

Barbecue Baked Beans, Baked Beans and Sausage Sandwiches Served at 2:30 P.M.

Kolaches and Pastries

Country Auction 1:30 P.M.
Silent Auction
Plant Wheel
Cake Walk

Bingo 2:00 P.M.

New Children’s Games 2017
Hot Dogs Snow Cones

LIVE MUSIC under the pavilion starting at 11:00 a.m. by Larry Sodek and local Parish Musicians

FREE DANCE after the Auction until 10:00 p.m. with music by The Lost Cause Band

Sponsored by Macy Martinson family and Gene Marak, 2117 3rd Street, Hallettsville
DISTRICT IV SLOTS OF FUN RUN

Annual Coushatta Trip Lives Up To Its Name

BY SHIRLEY POKORNEY
DISTRICT IV PRESIDENT

Every annual District IV Slots of Fun Run begins with the same anticipation and promise of renewed friendships and catching up on their latest news, great shared snacks and drinks, lively games and lots of laughs along the way. But every trip also holds its own unique experiences and memories that differentiate it from the previous ones.

This year it was the celebration of two very special people on board. Sister Barbara Lynn Hyzak and Louis Zbranek share a July 6 birthday, the day we made our return. Each was recognized with a gift bag from their fellow district KJT members.

For Louis, this was the 80th anniversary of his birth and the group wanted to make sure it would be a memorable one. So, everyone contributed something to his bag that a ‘super senior’ citizen might find useful. Good sport that he is, Louis accepted all the gifts of Poligrip, BenGay, cartoon character diapers for his second childhood, ID necklace with his name and address in case of senility attack, coupon for racing stripes on his cane, giant magnifying lens, etc., etc., etc., with a gracious smile.

As if that was not entertainment enough, the ever-popular joke contest once again produced some big laughs for the passengers and some nice prize money for the winners. Our judges took a record amount of time to decide the results because the competition was so keen this year. Eventually ties were broken and Marie Pavelka was dubbed the first-place winner. Always a serious contender for the comedy crown, this time Charles Kolinek garnered second place. And third place was captured by Sarah Vitek, proving our District IV Secretary/Treasurer has a light-hearted side balancing that very efficient business prowess. This is getting to be such a popular part of the journey that you can bet folks are already scouting the joke books for the perfect anecdote to present next year. Can’t wait to hear ‘em!

Slots of Fun Joke Contest Winners: First Place – Marie Pavelka, Second Place – Charles Kolinek, Third Place – Sarah Vitek

Birthday celebrants Sister Barbara Lynn Hyzak and Louis Zbranek honored during Slots of Fun run return trip.

National Alliance Of Czech Catholics
Annual Meeting Scheduled

The Texas District of the National Alliance of Czech Catholics (TDNACC) Annual Meeting will be held Tuesday, August 15 at 2 p.m. in the St. Thereses Chapel (Old St. Mary’s School) in Praha. The mission of the TDNACC is to foster the growth in faith of the Catholic Church in the Czech lands and of individuals and organizations of Czech ancestry throughout Texas.

Funds from the organization support the Archbishop’s Priest Seminary in Olomouc and the Diocese of Hradec Kralove in Bohemia to assist in the education and formation of men studying for the priesthood. TDNACC also supports the Sisters of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Velehrad who work with youngsters with disabilities.

All members, associated societies, organizations and interested perspective members are invited and urged to attend the meeting.

For more information contact Steve Vrana at president@TDNACC.org or phone number (281) 216-0104.

KJT DIAMOND

Praha Member Honored For 75 Years

State Director Margaret Hanslik (left) recognized Clifford Knezek with his 75-year membership pin with his only daughter Kay on Father’s Day. He is a member of Praha Society #1 and lives with his daughter in Victoria. Congratulations Clifford!
FUN ACROSS THE STATE OF TEXAS

Rainy Weather Didn't Dampen Spirit Of Plum Feast Festivities

Plum Society #23 helped celebrate the history of their church on Sunday, June 25 at the annual Sts. Peter and Paul Parish Feast. Rainy weather surrounded the church, but didn’t dampen the festivities. The auction was a great success as was the fried chicken and sausage meal. (At left) Society #23 members Bear Kana and Barbie Ryza enjoyed the Plum picnic with friends and family.

Reminder . . .

Please note that articles, photos and ads for the KJT News can be mailed to: KJT News, P.O. Box 297, La Grange, Texas 78945, or can be sent via e-mail to editor@kitnet.org. Deadline for articles, photos and ads for the News is the 10th of every month.

We welcome and appreciate your interest in KJT journalism.

75-Year Membership
July 2017

Society #19, Cameron
Adolph G. Hajovsky

Society #20, Shiner
Lambert J. Zissa

Society #31, West
Alois A. Mynarcik

Society #43, Wied
Paul Fikac

Society #56, Houston
Jaroslav R. Nevlud

Society #71, Canado
Albert J. Supak

Society #84, El Campo
Edwin J. Merta

Society #87, Jourdanton
John J. Netardus Jr.

Auctioneer Heather Kasper captured the audience with her sells during the Annual Plum Feast auction.

A young society member sits on Mom’s lap while hiding from the rain during the Plum Feast held on Sunday, June 25.

Society #23 member Richard Karstedt and friends congregated in the rain and bid on items in the auction at the annual Plum Feast.
FUN ACROSS THE STATE OF TEXAS

Ammannsville Church Picnic Huge Success On Father's Day

Ammannsville had an amazing turn out Father's Day at its Annual Ammannsville Church Picnic held on Sunday, June 18. Many members from both Ammannsville Society #4 and surrounding societies helped lend a hand to make this a great picnic. The fried chicken and sausage meal was amazing and guests from all over Texas came and joined in on the dance floor with polka music put on by the Fritz Hodde Fabulous Six Polka Band followed by The Moravians Polka Band. (1) Society #4 member and KJT State Treasurer Kevin Kana is shown pitching in serving sauerkraut. (2) Dubina Society #6 member Raymond Prihoda shown assisting with frying chicken. (3) Society #4 Sales Representative John Kana, along with Ammannsville members Kane Mensik, Henry Miksch and Jeff Mensik are shown helping out in the refreshment stand.

Steps To Creating A Workable Will

• Provide your name and place of residence.
• List your property and its approximate value - life insurance policies, real estate, securities, works of art.
• List your heirs' names, ages, addresses, and relationship to you.
• List additional beneficiaries such as charities, churches, educational institutions.
• Summarize your wishes for heirs and property, including specific gifts.
• Name an executor and alternate executor.
• Select a guardian and alternate guardian for your minor children.
• Establish trusts, if you desire.
• Have your attorney draw up or review your will.
• Sign one copy, and put it in a safe place.
• Keep an unsigned copy for alternate guardian.

Society #4 Member Graduates From UT

Mary Elizabeth Kossa, daughter of Mike and Linda Kossa of Ammannsville, graduated from The University of Texas at Austin on Saturday, May 13 with a Bachelor of Science in Human Development and Family Science. Mary graduated with Highest Honors maintaining a perfect 4.0 grade point average during her four years at The University of Texas. Mary was a 2013 KJT Scholarship recipient. She is a member of Society #4 in Ammannsville. Way to go Mary!
State Director Honors 75-Year Member

State Director Margaret Hanslik honored Frank J. Tupa with the presentation of his 75-year membership pin. Frank is a member of Praha Society #1. Congratulations Frankie on 75 years with the KJT!

KJT DIAMOND

BY WILLIE BOHUSLAV

Good news! Joyce and I recently visited with Msgr. Joseph M. Hybner who is now residing at his home in Shiner. He’s the namesake of the new expansion to the Polka Lovers Club of Texas Museum in La Grange.

The Polka Lovers Club of Texas Museum (PLCTM) has completed the expansion to the present museum with a dedication ceremony on February 28, 2016 and we are making plans to organize the 2,000-sq. ft. space named the Msgr. Joseph M. Hybner Center. The extra space will provide restrooms, archive/exhibit space, a small kitchen and storage area.

It will be a great gathering venue for annual events, displays/exhibits, business meetings, parties and educational events. We plan to have it open for visitors in time for the next Memorial Celebration which is slated for Saturday, November 18, 2017 to be held at the Round-Up Hall at the La Grange Fairgrounds.

Tours are welcomed and available. Membership is only $12 a year and benefits include two newsletters annually and a November Memorial Celebration honoring deceased members of PLCTM and Polka Lovers Klab of America (Po.L.K. of A.), Texas Chapter. The event features a memorial service, Polka Mass, free meal (for members) and a polka dance and tours of the museum.

Contact Museum Board President Willie Bohuslav at (512) 347-1078 or bohuslavwj@gmail.com to request a membership brochure. The brochure can also be found on the museum’s web site www.texaspolkalovers.com. Or mail a $12 membership check to P.O. Box 72, La Grange, Texas 78945.

The Polka Lovers Club of Texas Museum (Hoelscher Haus) is a nonprofit 501(c) (3) organization. Its success depends on the annual sustaining memberships ($12/ person/year), donations and memorial/tribute contributions from individuals, nonprofit organizations, corporations and all others who are interested in preserving polka music for future generations. All contributions are eligible for a deduction to the extent provided by law for federal income tax purposes.

The museum is presently working to reach a $100,000 endowment goal. Reaching (Continued on page 12)

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Polka Lovers Club Finishes Expansion To Its Present Museum

SOCIETY EFFORT

Annual Tailgate Party, Flag Day Ceremony

Austin Society #112 had a great turnout at their annual Tailgate Party and Flag Day ceremony on Sunday, July 9 at the Dell Diamond with of over 40 members and guests who enjoyed a WINNING and EXCITING ballgame! This is always a function that members look forward to each summer. Thank you to Nick and Shirley Macik for providing the hot dogs and all the trimmings and to Ted and Sarah Vitek for bringing the drinks and to all who brought dessert. (Below) Members shown enjoying the tailgate party.

After the Society #112 Tailgate Party, members are shown enjoying the exciting ball game.

Shown during the Society #112 Flag Day Ceremony were Clayton Macik, holding the flag is August Motloch III, Sophie Hyzak, Amanda McCarty and Katie Hyzak doing the reading for the flag ceremony. Thank you, Katie, for a job well done!
Flag Day Proclamation Signed At Kolache Klobase Festival In East Bernard

(Above) A Flag Day Proclamation signing at the recent Kolache Klobase Festival in East Bernard featured front row (left to right) KJT St. Wenceslaus Society #40 President Edwin C. Marik, East Bernard Mayor Marvin Holub, Society #40 Vice President Sandy Logan; back row, Society #40 Treasurer Dennis Viktorin, Society #40 Secretary Mark Dujka and KJT State Fraternal Activity Manager Michael Reznicek. (Below) KJT dignitaries and others at the recent Kolache Klobase Festival in East Bernard featured (left to right) KJT Director of Media and Marketing Stephanie Prihoda, State Vice President David M. Wagner, State Director Margaret Holik, State President Christopher L. Urban, Miss Texas Czech Slovak Queen Brianna Blattman, KJT Fraternal Activity Manager Michael Reznicek, East Bernard Society #40 Vice President Sandy Logan, East Bernard Society #40 President Edwin C. Marik, East Bernard Society #40 Treasurer Dennis Viktorin and East Bernard Society #40 Secretary Mark Dujka.

50-Year Membership
July 2017

Society #9, Fayetteville
August J. Canik

Society #16, Wallis
Patrick Valerian

Society #19, Cameron
George F. Hurtik

Society #23, Plum
John G. Mechura

Society #35, Ennis
Lawrence J. Honza
Patrick W. Slovak

Society #40, East Bernard
Patrick W. Dusek

Society #43, Wied
Douglas W. Zaruba

Society #48, Hillje
Allan T. Kresta
Anthony J. Kresta

Society #55, Corn Hill
Michael S. Fiebrich

Society #56, Houston
Robert R. Vasek

Society #76, Dime Box
Robert Andrew Spacek

Society #77, Megargel
James A. Schumacher

Society #80, Sealy
Frank Laredo
David J. Laskoskie

Society #84, El Campo
Joseph P. Bartos

Society #100, Caldwell
Michael A. Telg

Society #102, San Antonio
Philip J. Hons

Society #109, Hillsboro
Todd S. Divin

Society #121, Katy-Spring Branch
Dennis G. Dornak
Gregory E. Dornak
Thomas R. Dornak

Polka Lovers Club . . .

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that objective, the museum will forever be perpetuated to keep the museum open for future generations to enjoy and keep our polka heritage legacy alive.

To become a member, make a donation to the museum or learn more about how you can be involved in keeping Texas polka a vibrant and living part of American culture, visit the museum web site at www.texaspolkalovers.com, write PLCTM, P.O. Box 72, La Grange, Texas 78945-0072 or contact Polka Lovers Club of Texas Museum President Willie Bohuslav at (512) 347-1078. (512) 779-8050 (cell) or bohuslavjw@gmail.com.
Society #4 Observes Flag Day

(Above) Ammannsville Society #4 observed Flag Day after the Sunday Mass on June 11. The ceremony began with the flag being raised by society members Larry Osina, Vietnam Veterans 870, and John Kana, Marine Corps League 1028. (Below) As the flag was raised the group attending sang “My Flag” and then recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Rev. Tim Kosler prayed for all who serve in the military. The program ended with everyone singing “God Bless America.” Afterwards fellowship and refreshments were enjoyed at the parish rectory.

Sealy Society #80 Pays Homage To Flag At Three Masses On June 10-11

BY BERNICE STOLARSKI

Sealy Society #80 paid homage to the American Flag on Saturday, June 10 and Sunday, June 11 in honor of Flag Day with a special program at all three Masses at the Sealy Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. The society placed a patriotic floral arrangement on the altar and the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass was for living and deceased society members.

Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus in full regalia joined in the Flag Day program. The program included a short story about the flag, reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and singing of “The Star-Spangled Banner.” While the organist softly played “The Battle Hymn of the Republic,” the lector read the poem “I Am Your Flag.”

Society #80 wishes to extend an extra special thank you to Fourth Degree KC’s: Ike Wozniak, Mark Nastoupil, Dustin Konesheck, Joe John Marusik, James Toman, Larry Kana, Abraham Carrillo, Raul Rosas, Misel Dominges and lectors Steven Kutra, Carolyn Bilski and Jessica Moril, as well as the music and song leaders.

#115 Participates In Flag Day

Members of Society #115 of Victoria participated in Flag Day at the Victoria VFW Post. Members of Society #115 attending were Joe Pustka, Rose Pustka, Donald Dusek, Barbara Yanta, Wendy Hrncir, Irene Brosch and Lawrence Yanta. Others shown in the photo are members of the VFW and American Legion.

Grillings Stats!

8,900 home fires are started by grills each year, on average. 75% of United States households own at least one outdoor barbecue, grill or smoker. Gas grills contribute to a higher number of fires than charcoal grills.

Home Office Hours

To better serve our membership, the KJT Home Office is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays.
Damon St. Wenceslaus Society #92 members are shown participating in Flag Day at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Cemetery. Youth members led in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and flag facts. Participating were front row (left to right) Freddy Pavlicek, Society Secretary Eileen Wedemedeff, Kathleen Lindemann, Society Chaplain Eugene Pavlicek; back row, Susan Pavlicek, Vincent Sykowski, Carol Buchta, Clayton Pavlicek (youth member), Pat Maroul, Cameron Pavlicek (youth member) and Christopher Pavlicek (youth member).

Society #92 Flag Day Event

Caldwell Society #100 celebrated Flag Day with the dedication of a new flag for St. Mary’s Cemetery. Fr. Jesse Martinez blessed the flag and the dedication was attended by Society #100, KIZT and Holy Rosary Parish members.

Caldwell Celebrates Flag Day

Wied Society #43 is shown passing out flags on Sunday, July 2 after Mass at St. Mary’s Catholic Church. Shown above is member Jane Labay and (below) her husband and son, also members, Duane and Derrick Labay.

Wied Society #43 Passing Out Flags on July 2 After Mass At St. Mary's Catholic Church

Flag Day Raising Ceremony

On Wednesday, June 14, Temple Society #114 held a Flag Day Raising Ceremony at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Temple to honor the Nation’s Flag. In 1897, the governor of New York proclaimed a Flag Day celebration for the first time as an annual event in that state. President Woodrow Wilson established Flag Day as annual national celebration in his proclamation issued on May 30, 1916 and a Flag Day Celebration to honor the Nation’s Flag has been held on June 14 of each year since that date. Shown participating in the ceremony are (left to right) James Hosch, Rev. Steve Sauser and Karen Hinze.

25-Year Membership
July 2017

Society #6, Dubina
Cody Frank Marek
Kyle Daniel Marek

Society #13, Yoakum
Carol Jane (Havlik) Kengle

Society #14, Bryan
Becky Ann Luza

Society #23, Plum
Ethan Ray Bauer

Society #35, Ennis
Courtney Marie Cepak
Andrew Franklin Kitchens

Society #40, East Bernard
Jacob Alexander Schwartz

Society #43, Wied
Christopher Lane Greer
Duane Labay

Society #54, Fort Worth
Trent Forest Becan

Society #72, Corpus Christi
Paula J. Mokry

Society #79, Hungerford
Richard Michael Thornton

Society #84, El Campo
Melissa Kay Till

Society #102, San Antonio
Darryl Lee Acker
Lloyd Wayne Acker

Society #111, Dallas
James Deveren Gilligan
Michael Ross Gilligan
Patricia Annyne Gilligan
Margaret Lynn Gough
Nathan Ryan Liska
Laurie Ziegler

Society #132, Pflugerville
Billy Wayne Gandy
John Paul Gandy

Society #133, Missouri City
Sr. Rosalie Karstedt CDP
Amanda Susanne Surman

Society #141, Georgetown
Rhiana Faith Arellano
**SOCIETY HAPPENINGS**

**#34 NADA**  
*By Anita Meismer*

Nada Society #34 held its quarterly meeting at St. Mary’s Family Life Center on Saturday, June 24 following the Saturday Holy Mass. President Sean Korenek opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Jim Brzozowski.

The society decided to give a monetary gift to Adam Shimek at Christmas time.

Father Peter discussed the plans for a Polka Mass and stated that it will be held at the Church Festival on Sunday, September 3 at the 10 a.m. Holy Mass. He also stated that the new hall building project is complete and the dedication will be held on Sunday, July 30 at 3 p.m.

Clem Korenek announced that the Priest and Religious Harvest Season Fundraiser will be held on Sunday, July 30 and lunch tickets will be sold by members. The proceeds will benefit the Priest and Religious of the Diocese of Victoria and the Bake Sale proceeds will be given to Father Edward Schoellmann, M.M. a native son of the Nada parish. Father Eddie has stated that the drought has taken a toll in the area of his Mission Church, St. Mary’s in Bukundi, Tanzania. They have not made any crops and have no way of providing for themselves. Help is badly needed and if anyone can help with a personal contribution, it can be sent to: Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, P.O. Box 302, Maryknoll, NY 10545-302 and put a note that the contribution is for Father Ed Schoellmann, M.M. Mission Account. This is a very worthwhile endeavor and Father Ed will be very appreciative of all the help he will receive.

Clem Korenek announced that on Sunday, July 23 the State Family Day was to be held at the KJT Activity and Fraternal Center, 6116 St. Hwy 71 E., La Grange. All members and their families are invited to come and enjoy a barbecue meal and a day of family fun including music by Chris Rybak.

Following the meeting, a delicious meal of chicken and dumplings and peach cobbler prepared by Grace Korenek and a banana cake dessert prepared by Anita Meismer was enjoyed by all attending.

**Victoria Society #115** and Victoria KJZT #101 participated in Join Hands Day at Twin Pines and Nursing Rehab. Those participating were front row sitting Ella Bucek and standing (left to right) were Donald Dusek, Barbara Yanta, Wendy Hrnčír, Lawrence Yanta, Lilian Berger, Rose Pustka, Evan Maronge, Irene Brosch and Carolyn Nevlud.

**Wied Society #43** at the St. Mary’s Church Picnic on Sunday, June 11 with its spinning wheel booth as its parish project supporting the church.

**IN MEMORIAM**

**OF OUR**

**DECEASED MEMBERS**

*The members of the Catholic Union of Texas, the KJT, wish to express their sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the families and friends of the departed members who are listed below.*

*May their souls rest in peace.*

**June 2017**

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**IMPORTANT REMINDER FOR MEMBERS**

The KJT asks members to always check their certificates to note whether they have the proper beneficiaries designated.
SOCIETY HAPPENINGS

Shown below are West Society #31 members and youth who helped with the Hamburger Fundraiser and Bake Sale. The sale was held on Saturday, May 13 at the Pointwest Bank parking lot. The fundraiser was very successful and we thank all the members who came out and helped. The money raised will be used for scholarships.

#134 ROUND ROCK
By Margie Thompson

Round Rock Society #134 met on Saturday evening, June 10 for its quarterly meeting. Prayer before dinner was led by Father Louis. Pizza was served and members brought desserts to share. President Tina Risinger opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Leon Barton introduced two seminarians Sergio and Troy and gave an update on members.

The society was blessed to have all three of its priests present for the get-together – Father Louis, Father Dean and Father Floyd.

Tickets were sold for the Religious Retirement Fund fundraiser.

Door prizes were drawn and the meeting was adjourned.

Conserve Texas Water!

A faucet leaking a rate of one drop per second can waste up to 3,000 gallons of water a year.

(Above and below) Corpus Christi Society #72 was honored with the presence of a visit from Bishop Michael Mulvey of the Diocese of Corpus Christi at its meeting on Sunday, June 4. KJZT Society #46 joined the society for the visit from the bishop.

September 30, 2017
8:00 AM-9:00 AM Registration and Refreshments; 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Program
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See Texas Czech Genealogical Society (TCGS) www.txczgs.org for seminar flyer & registration form. Membership in TCGS is not required to attend this genealogy seminar.

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3. Have a power of attorney.
4. Have life insurance.
5. Review beneficiary designations.
6. Specify where important financial account information is located.
7. Specify where important non-financial information and valuables are located.
8. Specify your final arrangements.
9. Have a list of professionals who can assist you.
10. Explain to heirs how your trust works.

Hostyn Society #3 along with other Hostyn organizations celebrated Join Hands Day. The other organizations included were the KJZT, CDA and Young Neighbors in Action. Together they worked at the Hostyn Holy Rosary Parish grounds at the prayer garden, church grounds, parish office and rectory in preparation of the annual May picnic. Members participating from these organizations were Dianna Kallas, Brenda Fietsam, Joyce Muras, Monica Muras, Lillian Kallus, Thomas Kozel, Doug Janda, Helen Faldyn, Theo Svec, Helen Janda, Ivan Muras, Patrick Janda, Miguel Rios, Fr. Dan Kahlich, Denis Muras, Benedict Kallus and Clarence Faldyn.

#80 SEALY
By Bernice Stolarski

The Sealy Society #80 officers meeting was held at on Tuesday, May 23 at 6 p.m. and was conducted by President Joe Bilski. He had to leave before the regular meeting to present the awards at the high school to the local scholarship winners.

The meal was served by Barbara and Louis Hajdik. The regular meeting was then conducted by Vice President Barbara Hajdik.

It was approved to donate a $200 Academy gift card for the Immaculate Conception Church Bazaar raffle. The bazaar has been moved from Labor Day weekend to Sunday, September 24.

Plans were finalized for the Flag Day ceremonies at all Masses on Saturday and Sunday, June 10 and 11. The raffle committee of Fred Patek, Mark Stolarski and Bennie Stolarski are to work up a list of prizes by the Tuesday, July 25 meeting.

The meeting was held on the same night that Seal was hit by a micro-burst. Members were aware of straight line winds and hard rain but did not realize the seriousness of the damage until after the meeting when members returned to their homes.
2017 JULY
CZECH LANGUAGE MASS & RECEPTION FOR VISITING SEMINARIANS FROM THE CZECH REPUBLIC, KATY

Wednesday evening, July 26, St. Bartholomew the Apostle Catholic Church, 5356 Eleventh St., Katy. Czech language Mass in church, 6 p.m. Reception in church hall, 7-9 p.m. Recently ordained transitional deacons who will be visiting this year are: Jan Jurecka, Diocese of Ostrava-Opava; Jiri Sustek, Diocese of Olomouc, and Vojtech Zahradka, Diocese of Brno. Please RSVP to marez@entouch.net or by calling (832) 437-4077. Please bring a covered dish to share with all in attendance or a dessert. Liquid refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY
Thursday, July 27, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

KJT SUMMER TEEN CAMP
Thursday, July 27-Sunday, July 30.

SOCIETY #34, NADA
Sunday, July 30, Priest and Religious Harvest Season Fundraiser. Lunch tickets will be sold by members. Proceeds will benefit the Priest and Religious of the Diocese of Victoria. The Bake Sale proceeds will be given to Father Edward Schoellmann, M.M., for his Mission Church, St. Mary’s, in Bukundi, Tanzania. Its member have not harvested any crops this year due to the drought and have no way of providing for themselves. To make a personal contribution, mail it to Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, P.O. box 302, Maryknoll, NY 10545-302 and put a note with the contribution that the contribution is for Father Schoellmann.

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA
Sunday, July 30, meeting.

2017 AUG
5TH ANNUAL SOUTH TEXAS SUMMER POLKAFEST, CORPUS CHRISTI
Saturday, August 5, Moravian Hall, 5601 Kostoryz Road, Corpus Christi. Doors open at 11 a.m. Admission is $10. Battle Dance 12-6 p.m. with Czechaholics and Majeks. Meals available for purchase. Beer, tea and soft drinks will be available. There will be a raffle and course – kolaches. For more information contact Sam Morris at (361) 215-9163. Sponsored by the Czech Heritage Society of South Texas. Be sure and save the date!

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Sunday, August 6, Schulenburger Festival Parade.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN
Sunday, August 6, Hostyn Parish Hall. Mass for the deceased and living members at 8 a.m. followed with a free-will donation Scholarship Breakfast with meeting starting around 9:30 a.m. Please plan to attend and bring a new member.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH PICNIC, YOAKUM
Sunday, August 6, Yoakum Community Center. Picnic Stew, sausage and trimmings, tickets $9, serving begins at 10:30 a.m., drive-thru or dine-in. Auction 12:30 p.m. Register for 39 raffle prizes. Mexican food available in the afternoon. Stew will also be for sale. Soft drinks and refreshments available. Country, kids’ corner, games, cake walk, pantry wheel.

SOCIETY #112, AUSTIN
Thursday, August 10, meeting, Sacred Heart Reception Room, 6:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #4, AMMANNsville
Sunday, August 13, quarterly meeting in rectory following the 8 a.m. Mass.

SOCIETY #56, HOUSTON
Sunday, August 13, meeting, Assumption Catholic Church, Pope John Building, second floor right behind the rectory, Houston, 1:30 p.m. Meeting followed by social, bingo and meal. We encourage all members to mark the date and plan to attend and be involved.

161ST PRAZSKA POUT/ PRAHA PICNIC, PRAHA
Tuesday, August 15, 10 a.m. Mass with Bishop Cahill at St. Mary’s Church. Stew and fried chicken dinner will be served from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. There will be music from 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Cake walk, games, country store and more throughout the day. Auction at 1 p.m.

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG
Sunday, August 6, Society Challenge Turkey Shoot, Toefl’s Place, Ammannsville, 1 p.m. Mark your calendar and assemble your team!

SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM
Sunday, August 20, meeting, St. Joseph Family Center after the 9 a.m. Mass.

SOCIETY #130, ELGIN
Tuesday, August 22, meeting.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY
Thursday, August 24, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #72, CORPUS CHRISTI
Wednesday, August 30, meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

St. John’s Annual Labor Day Feast, Fayetteville
Saturday, September 3, Mass with Polka music at 10 a.m., St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Meal served inside air-conditioned Hall, 6 p.m. Admission free for ages 21 and over. Drawing for prizes at 10 p.m. Hamburgers, cake and plant wheels, ring toss, ball throw, wheel of fortune, moon walk and games for children. Fun for the whole family!

NATIONAL GRANDPARENT’S DAY
Sunday, September 10.

SOCIETY #72, CORPUS CHRISTI
Sunday, September 10, meeting and covered dish meal, Moravian Hall, 2 p.m.

SOCIETY #31, WEST
Sunday, September 10, Corporate Communion at 7:30 a.m. Mass followed by meeting with coffee and kolaches.

SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE
Sunday, September 10, meeting and covered dish meal, Queen of Peace Life Center, 1 p.m.

ANNUAL HOMECOMING PICNIC, MARAK
Sunday, September 10, Sts. Cyril and Methodius Church, 7 miles northwest of Cameron, FM Road 2269. Mass at 10:15 a.m. Home-fried chicken and sausage dinner at 11 a.m. Plates served with all the trimmings. Meal tickets $10 each. Drive-thru or plates-to-go. Continuous (Continued on page 19)
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Continued from page 18) serving while it lasts. Games start at noon. Entertainment by Praha Brothers 12:30-3:30 p.m. Auction 3:30 p.m. inside the air-conditioned hall. Entertainment for the entire family!

Contact Jackie Moczygemma at jackiejansky@msn.com to purchase tickets.

SOCIETY #112, AUSTIN Thursday, October 12, meeting, Sacred Heart Reception Room, 6:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA Sunday, September 24, Czech Fest fundraiser.

ST. MARTIN CATHOLIC CHURCH ANNUAL PICNIC, TOURS Sunday, September 24. A fried chicken dinner will be served beginning at 11 a.m. A live auction starts at 12:30 p.m. Fund, food and entertainment for all!

ANNUAL IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH BAZAAR, SEALY Sunday, September 24.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY Thursday, September 28, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #141, GEORGETOWN Saturday, September 30, meeting.

SOCIETY #130, ELGIN Saturday, September 30, meeting.

KJT SOUTHERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE Sunday, October 1-Sunday, October 8.

10TH ANNUAL KJT STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT, FLATONIA Saturday, October 7, Flatonia Golf Course, 1245 Hwy. 90 East, Flatonia, Call the Home Office to reserve your team’s spot. Proceeds will benefit the St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

SOCIETY #31, WEST Sunday, October 8, breakfast served and meeting after 7:30 a.m. Mass.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY Thursday, October 26, business meeting, Room 2, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, 2:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #115, VICTORIA Sunday, October 29, meeting.

HALLOWEEN Tuesday, October 31.

SOCIETY #56, HOUSTON Sunday, November 5, meeting. Assumption Catholic Church, Pope John Building, second floor right behind the rectory, Houston, 1:30 p.m. Meeting followed by social, bingo and meal. We encourage all members to mark the date and plan to attend and be involved.

SOCIETY #43, WIED Sunday, November 12, 75-Year Anniversary Celebration, Holy Family Catholic Church Parish Hall, 488 W. Westmeyer St., Poth, Texas 78147. Following the meeting, refreshments of hamburgers, hot dogs, drinks, etc. will be available sponsored by the St. Matthew’s Soup Kitchen and Knights of Columbus. Bingo proceeds to benefit the KJT Charity for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

SOCIETY #129, SCHULENBURG Sunday, October 15, meeting, home of James and Carolyn Prihoda, 2 p.m.

SOCIETY #13, YOAKUM Sunday, October 15, meeting, St. Joseph Family Center after the 9 a.m. Mass.

SOCIETY #42, WIED Sunday, November 5, meeting after 9:14 a.m. Mass at St. Mary’s (the white house). All members are encouraged to attend!

SOCIETY #87, JOURDANTON Wednesday, November 8, election of officers meeting, Formation Center of St. Matthew Religious Education Facility, Classroom No. 5, 7:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #81, POTH Sunday, November 12, Member Appreciation Dinner and 100th Anniversary. Meeting, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church Parish Hall, 488 W. Westmeyer St., Poth, Texas 78147. Following the meeting, lunch will be served and celebrated with the Poth KJZT society. Children’s activities and bingo are planned. Please RSVP to Lawrence Jansky (830) 484-3723, Jackie Moczygemma (210) 325-2692 or Jane Hosek (830) 484-2845 by Monday, November 6.

SOCIETY #119, LA MARQUE Sunday, November 12, meeting and covered dish meal, Queen of Peace Life Center, 1 p.m.

SOCIETY #113, MISSOURI CITY Sunday, November 12, meeting and covered dish meal, Queen of Peace Life Center, 1 p.m.

SOCIETY #63, SMITHVILLE Friday, November 17, Christmas Party/Meeting, KC House, 7 p.m. More information to follow.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN Sunday, November 19, Hostyn Parish Hall. Mass for the deceased and living members at 8 a.m. followed with a free-will donation Scholarship Breakfast with meeting starting around 9:30 a.m.

SOCIETY #117, WACO Sunday, November 26, 75-Year Membership Pin Presentations.

SOCIETY #80, SEALY Tuesday, November 28, officers meeting 6 p.m., meal and regular meeting, 7 p.m., Immaculate Conception Church Center.

SOCIETY #141, GEORGETOWN Friday, December 1, Christmas Party.

SOCIETY #133, MISSOURI CITY Saturday, December 2, St. Mikulas Youth Social, Centennial Room, Holy Family Catholic Church, 1510 Fifth Street, Missouri City, after 5:30 p.m. Mass, 6:30 p.m.

SOCIETY #3, HOSTYN Saturday, December 2, Christmas party in conjunction with the Hostyn KJZT. More details to follow.

SOCIETY #56, HOUSTON & SOCIETY #121, KATY-SPRING BRANCH Sunday, December 3, annual Christmas Party, St. Jerome Catholic Church, outback house/room which is located behind the church across the parking lot. Society #121 will be hosting the combined party again this year. Party will start around 2 p.m., followed by social, caroling and meal. We encourage all members to mark the date on their calendar and plan to attend and be involved.

SOCIETY #72, CORPUS CHRISTI Sunday, December 3, Moravian Hall, 2 p.m. St. Thomas More annual Matching Grant Bake sale and Christmas bingo.
HELP US FIND THESE MEMBERS

We need to deliver important papers to these members. If you have information concerning any of the names listed below, please call the Home Office at 800.245.8182.

SOCIETY #40, EAST BERNARD
John J. Grigar IV
Lawrence R. Oldag
Katherine M. Tondre

SOCIETY #43, WIED
Kenneth W. Mau

SOCIETY #46, LA GRANGE
Jon C. Willard

SOCIETY #49, NEEDVILLE
Leslie M. McWorter

SOCIETY #50, SEYMOUR
Kenneth L. Graves
Christopher S. Ruddy

SOCIETY #60, TOURS
Jacob Daniel Claridy
Cooper Miles Adamson

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Texas Czech Heritage & Cultural Center
Heritage Festival & Muziky Tarock Tournament
Saturday, October 21, 2017
TCHCC Hanslik Hall
250 West Fairgrounds Road
La Grange, TX 78945

- Entry Fee—$25 includes lunch.
- Four 1½ hour rounds will be played.
- Registration at 8 am, play begins at 9 am, Lunch break after the second round.
- Top four (4) scorers after four rounds receive trophies and cash prizes—First through fourth place.
- Table winners paid $5 after each round.

- All players welcome—pass the word.
- Door prizes given out.
- Pre-registration is requested but not required.
- Entry Fee is refundable if unable to attend.
- If you have any questions or for more information contact: TCHCC toll free at 1-888-785-4500 or email info@czechtexas.org.

TCHCC Heritage Fest & Muziky Tarock Tournament Entry Form

NAME: ____________________________________________
ADDRESS: ____________________________________________
CITY, STATE, ZIP: ____________________________________________
PHONE #: ____________________________________________
EMAIL: ____________________________________________

* Mail entry form and check payable to TCHCC, PO Box 6, La Grange, TX 78945

MENTORSHIP SEASON ENDING

October 7th and 8th: Mentor to Student Program.

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